

## OUR NAVY ON THE QUI VIVE.

Everything Is Planned in Case of a Sudden War Scare.

### TO USE MERCHANTMEN.

The Steamers Paris and New York Will Be Made Formidable with Heavy Guns.

### THE NAVAL MILITIA'S PART.

The Citizen Sailor Will Be Pressed Into Active Service at the First Alarm, Besides Volunteers.

Washington, Sept. 18.—The Navy Department is prepared, in the event of a crisis arising at any moment with Spain, to equip as regular cruisers of war twenty-

o-warships who are now on shore. Owing to the restrictions as to the number of enlistments in the navy there are not enough volunteers ever in the service to accommodate all the men who apply to ship. It is a well-known fact that from 2,000 to 3,000 trained seamen are generally to be found on shore who are unable to enlist by reason of all places being filled.

The crews of the merchant cruisers will be filled, according to the plans, both from the regular details and from new enlistments. The number of officers required will average ten per vessel. In all there would be needed 250. Of this number about seventy-five will come from the regular navy. The others will be made up of volunteer officers after the practice followed during the civil war. The engineer officers will be secured almost wholly from the men who are now engaged on board the various steamers. No better men, it is claimed, could be obtained than those who are familiar from daily experience with what the respective engines will do.

The plans for the alterations of the merchant steamers have to do mostly with the arrangements for gun platforms, constructing magazines and store rooms, protecting the engines by improved bunkers, tearing off all superfluous house work and piercing the hulls for gun and torpedo ports.

On the large steamers like the Paris and New York nearly all the cargo space will be devoted to coal bunkers, and the upper decks will be short of all houses.

The general appearance of the steamers when armed and ready for battle will be so changed as to make them hardly recognizable.

### MOTHER OF VINEGAR IN HIM.

Case of an Iowa Man That is Puzzling the Medical Fraternity.

The peculiar case of Alonzo Merchel, of Maxwell, Iowa, is puzzling the medical fraternity. It has been his daily habit

## ENGLISH FIRM TO LOCATE HERE.

Lever Brothers, of Liverpool, Preparing to Establish a Plant

### TO MANUFACTURE SOAP.

Forced to This Step by the Heavy Duty Imposed by the Tariff Law.

### MAY BUILD A VILLAGE.

The Company Now Has a "Working-man's Colony" in Europe and Intends to Create One in This Country.

W. H. Lever, president of Lever Brothers, Limited, sails from Liverpool by steamship Majestic on October 13, for the United States, with a view of building a soap

been limited by its manufacturing capacity, to a territory east of the Ohio, over the whole United States.

The reason for the company's decision to build here is in the new tariff law, which has doubled the duty on laundry soaps. The company's principal product is a laundry soap, which formerly paid 35 cents per case duty. The Dingley bill taxes it 70 cents per case, which is prohibitive on a stable article like soap.

The company also makes a medicinal soap, which is also excluded by the new tariff law. Under the classification of medicinal soap it has a duty of about \$3.70 per case, imposed upon it by the Dingley bill. As this soap sells at something under \$4 per case, without adding the duty, it is apparent that it could not be imported under the new tariff conditions.

In connection with the English works there is a workingman's village, owned by the firm, for their employees. Cottages have been erected which are leased to the men at nominal rentals. These cottages are provided with all improvements, and there are no taxes at all, not even for water. The grounds are beautifully laid out, and are planted like boulevards, with elm and chestnut trees.

Tastes of all kinds—grave and gay—are catered to in this village, so that there is a chance for all to develop whatever inherent talents they possess, and the Village Council, chosen from among the villagers, administers the affairs of the community.

One of the features of the colony is Gladstone Hall, which was opened in 1891, by Mr. Gladstone. This building stands near the entrance, and is the centre of dramatic entertainments, lectures, etc. The employees also have organized a brass band which gives regular concerts and is fully uniformed.

A new schoolhouse has also been built. The school accommodates five hundred pupils, and the children of employees receive a free education from the firm. There are clubs for the men, boys and girls, and everything possible has been done to make the place homelike and give the workmen

## LOOKING OUT FOR FEVER GERMS.

Jersey City's Board of Health Disinfecting All Trains from the South.

### GAS GENERATOR USED.

Southern Boards of Health Demand Clean Bills of Health for Arriving Trains.

### EMPLOYEES DISINFECTED ALSO.

The Pennsylvania and Jersey Central Trains from New Orleans and Other Infected Places Must Undergo the Process.

Health Inspector Daniel W. Benjamin, of the Jersey City Board of Health, has a corps of yellow fever germ destroyers at work disinfecting all Pennsylvania and Jersey Central trains on their arrival from the infected districts. The expense is defrayed by the railroad companies.

"A peculiar thing about this job," said Inspector Benjamin yesterday, "is that it is done at the direction of the Boards of Health in the infected regions. Before either the Pennsylvania or Jersey Central can send trains through the South they must have a certificate from the local Board of Health that they have been thoroughly fumigated, and in addition each employee on the train must carry a doctor's certificate that he has been examined previous to his departure and that he is in perfect health. As a result, the company must employ a special physician, who examines all the men before they start South.

"The Boards of Health here do not demand a certificate of health before they allow the trains to enter the State, but when they return they must show a clean bill of health before they can get into New Orleans or any other place where fever exists. We have no epidemics in this section

of the country, and I cannot see the utility of compelling the companies to disinfect their trains before they leave us.

"I have two men at work doing the disinfecting. The operation is simple. In the department we use the sulphur disinfectant, but the railroads have a plant of their own. It is called the 'Formal-Hyde gas generator.' It is a lamp-like affair, filled with wood alcohol, attached to which is a long brass spout. This spout rests on a small dish filled with the alcohol. The latter is ignited, it heats the spout, and then with the alcohol in the lamp generates a gas that is considered deadly to any kind of bacteria.

"Three of these generators are placed in a coach. The coach is thoroughly closed and every crevice is stopped up. Then we begin to burn the lamps, and keep them going until every part of the coach is thoroughly impregnated with the fumes of the alcohol. It takes from three to four hours for each coach. The uniforms of the men are also fumigated in the same way.

"While we personally believe in the sulphur disinfectant, tests show that the railroad's method is very efficacious. Before adopting it we made a number of very successful experiments. Bacteria were placed in four thicknesses of very heavy cloth. Then we burned the alcohol and saturated the cloth with the fumes. In less than an hour we found that life was extinct in the specimens.

"We will continue the disinfecting until the real cold weather sets in."

## NEW HOUSE FOR PRIESTS.

Now They Have a Home and Living Place at Bedford Park—Who They Are.

The band of missionary priests who mission is to preach to non-Catholics in the archdiocese of New York under the auspices of the Catholic Missionary Union of which the Most Rev. Archbishop Corrigan is president, have secured for themselves a house in Bedford Park, which they will make their headquarters, and where they will live.

Since the work among non-Catholics has begun in this vicinity, a year ago, the missionaries have been living at the seminary in Yonkers. The missionary band now consists of three priests—the Rev. William J. Gifford, D. D., formerly of St. Gabriel's Church, this city; the Rev. James E. Gough, formerly of St. Bernard's Church, this city; and the Rev. Thomas F. Cusack, formerly of St. Ann's Church, Yonkers. The missionaries are assisted by the Rev. Father William E. H. Smith, the pioneer in the organization of the system of non-Catholic missions now established in nearly every section of the country.

# \$250.00 GIVEN AWAY.

A Most Interesting Contest—\$250.00 Paid for Lists Made by Putting in Missing Letters in Place of Dashes. Read Carefully—No Chance About It.

We have determined to give away a large amount of money to advertise *The American Woman*. We have now a circulation of over 300,000 each month, and we want to reach the million mark, hence we have decided to give away at least \$250 in prizes. We offer you most profitable means for a little time and in return we will give you a chance to win \$250.00. You are able to get up a correct list. We expect in this contest to extend the circulation of *The American Woman*. From a large circulation we are able to get high prices for advertising in our columns, and it is in our interest to give you the chance to win \$250.00. We can add a large amount each year to our income in doing this, as the larger the circulation the more valuable the space becomes to the advertiser, and the more they are willing to pay for their advertisements.

## READ THESE DIRECTIONS CAREFULLY.

In the list below there are thirty words from which some letters have been omitted and their place is supplied by stars. You are to fill in the letters in place of the stars, and to put their names properly filled you must have considerable general knowledge.

We desire you to make as many correct words as possible, and then send us 25 cents to pay for three months' subscription to *The American Woman*. For correct lists we shall give you \$250.00 each.

Should there be more than one person sending a full, correct list, the \$250 prize will be awarded to the 50 best lists in appearance. If your list contains fifteen or more words correctly filled in, we shall send you a handsome *Kimberly* Diamond Seal Pin which is suitable for either lady or gentleman, the regular price for which is \$2.00. In sending your list you are sure of the Diamond Seal Pin Prize, and if you are careful to send a correct list you will have the opportunity of winning the \$250.00, which will be given away. All have an equal opportunity for winning.

## YOUR PRIZE WILL BE SENT PROMPTLY.

Great care will be exercised in humbly awarding and promptly forwarding the prizes. Below is the list of words to be studied out. When making your list be sure and give the number against each word:

1. N \* W \* O \* K. A very large city and State.
2. S \* P \* R \* R. A lake partly in the United States.
3. B \* S \* B \* L. A popular sport.
4. W \* L \* N \* T \* N. A noted general.
5. A \* A \* S \* A. A country purchased from Russia.
6. C \* B \* . An island now in which a state of war exists.
7. A \* A \* N. Largest river in the world.
8. G \* A \* T. A great general.
9. C \* I \* A \* O. A large Western city.
10. B \* S \* N. Said to be the most cultivated city in the United States.
11. K \* O \* D \* K. Where gold has been recently found.
12. S \* N \* R \* N \* S \* O. A large city in California.
13. W \* S \* I \* T \* N. The first President of the United States.
14. M \* N \* Y \* S. A popular magazine.
15. A \* L \* N \* A. A prominent Southern city.
16. R \* S \* I. A country which comprises about half of Europe.
17. G \* E \* E. A country recently conquered by Turkey.
18. C \* S \* I \* N. A sea between Europe and Asia.
19. A \* O \* O. A cake of soap used for scouring.
20. B \* R \* N. A noted English poet.
21. H \* R \* A \* D. One of the oldest colleges in the United States.
22. A \* N \* . The largest State in New England.
23. S \* A \* N. A country in Southern Europe.
24. C \* N \* D. Great Britain's most valued tributary country.
25. A \* C \* C. The most northern ocean.
26. I \* T \* N \* R. A book to which we frequently refer.
27. W \* Y \* R. A Spanish general.
28. C \* L \* M \* S. A man to whom America owes so much.
29. G \* E \* N \* A \* D. The oldest settled country on the earth.
30. M \* S \* O \* I. A long river in the United States.

When you send your list, please enclose a real diamond, of about carat, and cannot be distinguished from the genuine diamond except by test. It serves in every respect the purpose of a real diamond, and is warranted to last forever. It is a most desirable gift, and is a fine gold plated pin, and is warranted to last forever. It is a most desirable gift, and is a fine gold plated pin, and is warranted to last forever. It is a most desirable gift, and is a fine gold plated pin, and is warranted to last forever.

THE AMERICAN WOMAN PUBLISHING CO. AUGUSTA, MAINE.

## FOR THE READERS OF THE Sunday Journal! SPECIAL COUPON.

We take pleasure in calling your attention to the most phenomenal offer ever made to *Sunday Journal* readers. By cutting out the coupon below and filling in your name and address you will be entitled, as a result of a special arrangement, to a regular \$6.00 HIGH-GRADE CRAYON PORTRAIT (size 16x20), enlarged from any photograph or tintype and MOUNTED ON A STRETCHER for only ONE DOLLAR!

Full amount and coupon to be sent to THE FAVORITE PORTRAIT STUDIO, 17 Union Square, Cor. 15th St. and Broadway, N. Y. (NEAR TIFANY'S).

## FIFTEEN-DAY COUPON.

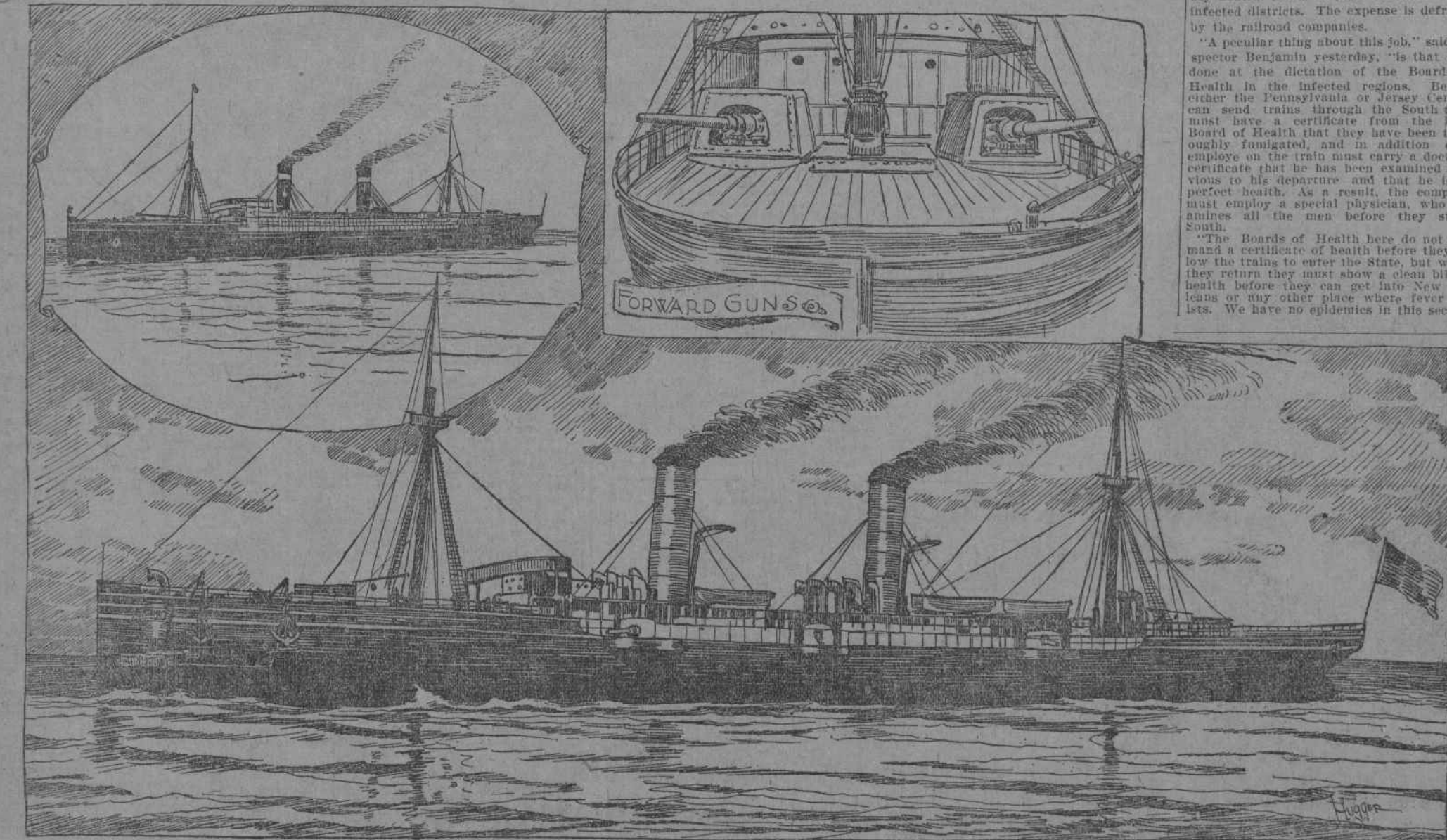
This entitles the bearer to one free-hand life-size Crayon Portrait (size 16x20), enlarged from any photograph or clear tintype and mounted on a stretcher, for only ONE DOLLAR, at the Favorite Portrait Studio, 17 Union Square, corner 15th St. and Broadway, near Tiffany's, within the next 15 days. If bearer has no photograph to copy from, privilege is hereby given to have your photograph taken at the studio and receive an artistically finished cabinet photograph without charge, in addition to the life-size portrait.

NAME..... ADDRESS..... CUT THIS OUT.

Our aim to supply EVERY JOURNAL READER with a high-grade Crayon Portrait of \$6.00 FOR ONLY \$1.00 without a doubt meet with approval. If you wish to have a Crayon Portrait enlarged from a more recent photograph call at the above-mentioned studio, in rain or shine, and have your photograph taken entirely free of charge.

Out-of-town readers may send their photographs and ONE DOLLAR by mail to the Favorite Portrait Studio and receive same prompt attention as those called in person. Satisfaction guaranteed in every particular and photograph returned with finished portrait.

STUDIO OPEN 8 TO 6. SUNDAYS, 10 TO 4.



American Liner St. Paul Rigged as a United States Cruiser.

The smaller representation of the splen did ship shows her as she is to-day. The other sketch indicates the location of her main battery forward.

five of the finest merchant steamers of the American marine.

The list of vessels has been completed within the last ten days, and the report upon the fitness of the various ships is now in the hands of the Secretary of the Navy. Eighteen of the vessels selected are at present lying on the Atlantic Ocean. The other seven are on the Pacific. A complete understanding, it is said, has been reached between the Navy Department and the lines operating these steamers whereby the Government can take possession on demand.

By the Bureau of Naval Intelligence of the Navy Department a Board of Officers has completed working drawings showing the exact nature of the changes which will have to be made on each ship. These plans will be forwarded to the shipyards where the work of converting the merchantmen into war ships will be undertaken.

### Batteries in Readiness.

Batteries for more than one-half of the improvised cruisers are now ready at the Washington Gun Foundry. Arrangements have been made with the directors of a number of rapid-fire gun plants for the supplying of the remaining portion of the armaments. The statement is made by officers who are in a position to know that so complete are all the arrangements that within four weeks from the time of giving the order every vessel of the twenty-five selected could be made ready for active war service.

When fully battered and manned in accordance with the plans of the Navy Department the new ships will be the equals, it is calculated, of any of the unarmored cruisers of the navy.

It is now known that not only have the owners of the various steamers been consulted at late, but the heads of the principal engine and machine shops of the country have been seen by representatives of the Navy Department. The capabilities of each plant on the Atlantic and Pacific coasts are accurately known in Washington.

When the time comes to convert the merchantmen into war ships the vessels, it is stated, will be scattered among the various yards. In New York alone, it is said, no less than five machine shops may be expected to be impressed into service. The work will be of a nature demanding night and day labor, and employment will be given to thousands of men.

The navy yards, it is said, will have all the men attending to the work of the regular war ships, and no help can be expected from that quarter in the handling of merchant craft.

Commander McVie, the chief of the Bureau of Steam Engineering, is reported to have visited a number of the engine plants in New York within the past fortnight. The nature of his visit has been a profound secret, but it is known that he was deeply concerned regarding the general efficiency of the various shops.

### Naval Militia's Work.

The crews of the twenty-five steamers will number, in all, over 7,000 men. It is proposed in the general plan to send 5,000 regular men-of-war men aboard these improvised cruisers. By this arrangement trained gun captains can be secured for each gun, and in addition there will be a nucleus of a regular crew for every piece. The regular men-of-war men will also fill the billets of petty officers. The vacancies created on board the regular war ships will be filled by details from the naval militia and by drafts on the merchant marine. As many as 1,500 naval militia-men can, it is thought, be counted upon. This force is as prepared, it is said, to march on board ship as is any National Guard regiment to march to the front. No trouble is anticipated in attracting back into the navy some two thousand men-

for a number of years to drink from one to three quarts of hard cider a day. Before the Prohibition law was in force in this State he was a hard drinker, but stopped entirely for a few years. Then he contracted the cider habit.

Physicians who have diagnosed his case say he has drunk so much cider a mother of vinegar has formed in his stomach, and to remove it an operation will be necessary. Merchel is a man about thirty-eight years old. The first effects of the cider that were noticeable came in an illness about a year ago lasting for three days. He was confined to his bed and suffered with spasmodic pains coming at intervals of every fifteen minutes. He was placed under the influence of narcotics and recovered. Since then the spells have reappeared at intervals of three weeks until a month ago, when they came more frequently and recently have been no more than a week apart.

The medical men in attendance say it is the first case of the kind that ever came to their knowledge, and the only hope is to have an operation performed which will remove the mother of vinegar—Chicago Chronicle.

works here.

Lever Brothers have the largest soap works in the world at Port Sunlight, opposite Liverpool, Eng. This factory, with the model village for their workmen, which is connected with it, covers an area of 114 acres. The company has a paid-up capital of \$10,000,000 and employs 2,500 persons at the English works alone. The company also has a large soap factory at Sydney, Australia, and outcrossed mills at Vicksburg, Miss., which are said to be the largest works of the kind owned by any individual firm in the world.

F. W. Douchy, of No. 27 Park place, who represents the advertising department of the firm, said yesterday:

"It is Mr. Lever's intention to look around the country and find a suitable place to locate a factory. He also will try to have a workingman's village on the same plan of the one he now has in England, and will give employment to American workmen."

"There is no reason why the projected works in this country should not become in time as large as the English factory. With its American works the company will be enabled to extend its trade, which has

and their families advantages beyond the reach of the average English workman. The experiment has been successful, and Mr. Lever thinks that a similar place in this country will be equally so."

Alongside of the lecture room in Gladstone Hall runs a great kitchen, with arrangements for heating and cooking, and here all classes of employees are provided for. Those who bring food with them can have it heated, and those who cannot afford it are provided by a co-operative arrangement among themselves with a dinner every day which includes soup, meat, vegetables, pudding, bread and cheese, at a cost of 12 cents a day for each person. The firm supplies free of all the utensils required for heating and cooking.

Taken altogether Port Sunlight is a model settlement and has attracted considerable attention in Europe.

Hon. Billy Mason.

[Washington Post.] For a man who left Washington with his throat chock full of Cuban gore, Hon. Billy Mason is managing to keep wonderfully quiet.

Hint to Hanna.

[Washington Post.] Mark Hanna will not become a really great orator until he takes treatment for the Grover Cleveland personal pronoun habit.



Model Cottages at Port Sunlight.

These houses are inhabited by workmen employed by Lever Brothers at their factory near Liverpool, England. The firm has established a "settlement," which has proved most successful. Mr. Lever is about to visit the United States, and intends to establish a factory and a similar model cottage colony here.

## FREE TRIAL TO ANY HONEST MAN.

The Foremost Medical Company in the World in the Cure of Weak Men Makes This Offer.

HEALTH AND ENERGY ASSURED! HAPPY MARRIAGE, GOOD TEMPER, LONG LIFE.

In all the world to-day—in all the history of the world—no doctor or institution has treated and restored so many men as has the famed ERIE MEDICAL CO., of Buffalo, N. Y.

This is due to the fact that the company controls some inventions and discoveries which have no equal in the whole realm of medical science.



So much deception has been practiced in advertising that this grand old company now, for the first time, makes this startling offer:

They will send their costly and magically effective appliance and a whole month's course of restorative remedies, positively on trial, without expense, to any honest and reliable man!

Not a dollar need be advanced—not a penny paid—till results are known to and acknowledged by the patient.

The Erie Medical Company's appliances and remedies have been talked about and written about all over the world, till every man has heard of them. They restore or create strength, vigor, healthy tissue and new life.

They repair drains on the system that sap the energy. They cure nervousness, despondency, and all the effects of evil habits, excesses, overwork, etc.

They give full strength, development and tone to every portion and organ of the body. Failure is impossible and age is no barrier.

This "Trial without Expense" offer is naturally limited by the company to a short time, and application must be made at once.

No C. O. D. scheme, no bogus philanthropy nor deception, no exposure—a clean business proposition by a company of high financial and professional standing.

Write to the ERIE MEDICAL COMPANY, Niagara Street, Buffalo, N. Y., and give your express address as well as your Post Office. Refer to seeing the account of their offer in this paper.